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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
105TH LEGISLATURE

SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to H. P. 1400, L. D. 1817, Bill,
"AN ACT to Relieve Certain Elderly Householders from the
Extraordinary Impact of Property Taxes."

Amend said Bill in section 1 by striking out all of that
part designated "§ 6110." and inserting in place thereof the
following:

'§ 6110. Amount of claim and benefit limitation

1. The amount to which the claimant shall be entitled and
limited is the greater of:

A. Seven percent of the difference between the household
income of the claimant for the year for which relief is
requested and \$4,000, or

B. The amount of the property tax paid upon the claimant's
property utilized as a homestead or the amount of rental
paid for said property if claimant is a renter on the
following basis:

<u>If household income of the claimant for the year for which relief is requested is:</u>	<u>The claim entitlement and limitation is:</u>	
	<u>Percent of property tax paid</u>	<u>Percent of rent paid</u>
<u>\$ 0 - \$ 999</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>1,000 - 1,999</u>	<u>70%</u>	<u>15%</u>
<u>2,000 - 2,999</u>	<u>40%</u>	<u>10%</u>
<u>3,000 - 3,999</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>5%</u>

In any instance no claim of less than \$5 shall be paid.

2. The allowable claim shall be computed by the Bureau of

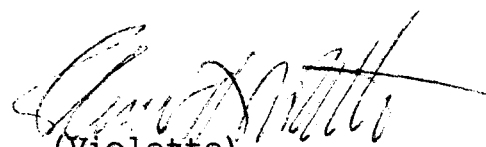
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Taxation, which shall notify the claimant by mail of the amount of his allowable claim.'

Statement of Fact

It is the purpose of this amendment to limit the percent of property taxes and rent claimed to the amount actually paid, thereby insuring that claimants in fact paid their taxes and rent. It is also the purpose of this amendment to reduce the percent of property taxes and rent claimed for people with higher incomes by reducing the percent as a claimant's income rises. The present benefit limitation states only that the claim shall not exceed the total property taxes levied, or 20% of the rental paid.

Proposed by Senator:



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NAME:

COUNTY: Aroostook

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